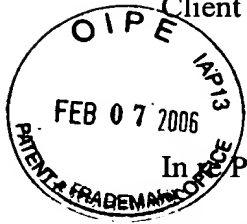


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 7, 2005, the date for response to which is February 7, 2006, with a one-month extension of time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: